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IN RE APPLICATION OF: Hideaki MOCHIMARU, et al.

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EXAMINER:

FOR: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMAGE FORMING CAPABLE OF EFFECTIVELY COLLATING A STACK OF SINGLE-/DOUBLE-SIDED RECORDING SHEETS IN A DESIRED EJECTION TRAY

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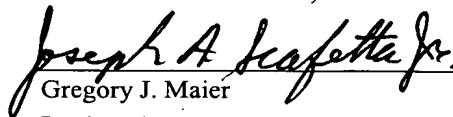
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